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C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 10507

NAIROBI FOR OIC/RTC AND RSS; DEPT FOR A/SY/EX AND A/SY/Y;

FROM TSO ALLSBURY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC
SUBJECT: SEPT. 29 AIRCHARTER SHIPMENT

REF: (A) NAIROBI 9186, (B) STATE 234185

1. REFTEL B ADVISED POST OF INTENTION BY ETHIOPIAN PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT (EPMG) TO INSPECT ALL IN-COMING AND OUT-GOING DIPLOMATIC POUCHES, APO MAIL, AND AIRFREIGHT. AS A RESULT, APO AND POUCH SERVICE TO AND FROM POST HAS BEEN SUSPENDED, PENDING EFFORTS OF LOCAL DIPLOMATIC CORPS TO RESOLVE DIFFICULTIES.

2. ONE RESULT OF THE ANNOUNCED INSPECTIONS, IS THAT THERE IS INSUFFICIENT TIME TO HAVE INSPECTED THE RTC/RMO/RSS FURNITURE AND SUPPLIES PACKED AND CRATED FOR THE SEPT. 29 AIRCHARTER SHIPMENT, EVEN IF POST WERE WILLING TO PERMIT OFFICIAL SHIPMENTS TO BE OPENED.

3. THEREFORE, RECOMMEND THE SEPT. 29 AIRCHARTER BE POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. DIPLOMATIC CORPS IS ATTEMPTING TO INVESTIGATE WITH EPMG THE POSSIBILITY THAT INSPECTION REGULATION BE APPLIED ONLY TO INCOMING SHIPMENTS. WILL KEEP NAIROBI IN-
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